

CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE

The assignee owning an undivided interest in original U.S. Patent No. 6,330,755 is Hitachi, Ltd., as evidenced by the Assignment recorded at Reel 6671, Frame 0122, and the assignee consents to the application for reissue thereof.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, under Section 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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